



AHCCCS ISD

NPI Consortium Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2006

10:00 – 11:00 AM

801 E Jefferson Gold Room

Date	2/16/2006
Team	NPI Consortium Meeting
Present	Sign in sheets were kept separately
Next meeting	As needed

Topic	Discussion	Required action/Decision	Responsible
Comments to previous minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• N/A First meeting		
Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brief introductions were made regarding the purpose and desired outcome of the meeting.		
NPI overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mary Kay gave a brief overview of recent activities and decisions coming from the standards committees and regulatory bodies related to NPI.• Handouts were provided that outline recent decisions and policies		
Overview of AHCCCS projects and timelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Denny gave an overview of the AHCCCS project and key timelines<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 5/23/2007 use of NPI is mandatory for health care providers○ 1/1/2007 AHCCCS hopes to be ready to accept the NPI as an		

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	<p>optional submission. Transactions will be accepted using either the NPI or AHCCCS provider registration number</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10/1/2006 Testing with external parties (health plans and claim clearinghouses) ○ 8/2006 All code ready for promotion to (H)PMMIS • General strategy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AHCCCS is building a crosswalk function so that NPI's will be converted to/from the AHCCCS provider registration number. This allows internal system function to remain in place. ○ Development effort is focusing on the cross walk using the ALT ID table, the panel views to display the NPI where necessary, reports, correspondence, extracts and imports, data base changes where necessary. ○ Changes are required to incoming and outgoing transactions, screens, reports, and some db's 		
Policy and operations decisions made so far include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The listing of AHCCCS provider types and the indicator of "NPI required" was discussed and explained and previously distributed. • Denny clarified that the use of NPI will be consistent for standard and non standard transactions i.e. paper claims • The service provider must continue to represent the practitioner that provided the 		

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	<p>service, even if the provider also has a group NPI.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NPI prescriber ID will be required on NCPDP submissions, not the DEA • Discussed the issue of service addresses. Impact will be significant in terms of development and ongoing expense. No other solutions were identified to replace current use of location codes. • Discussed the need to achieve a 1:1 relationship between proprietary ID's and NPI's. Instances where a single practitioner has multiple AHCCCS provider ID's will be eliminated. Examples include IHS providers and providers with multiple provider types. 		
Provider system changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Murray gave an overview of the provider reference file changes including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reference files Will have no change ○ Provider extract files will have a change, but should require minimal effort on the part of health plans to accept ○ PRO files will have no change ○ PAT files will change including a change in the record size. <p>Implementation will be scheduled to allow appropriate lead time.</p>		
Identified issues/unanswered questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denny sought input regarding hospital subpart philosophy and possible issues with claim submissions. None provided. • AHCCCS is attempting to engage with select hospital systems to understand the actions the hospitals will be taking and any expected 		

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	impact.		
Provider NPI registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are over 7,000 AZ NPI's currently issued • There are 160NPI's currently in the AHCCCS data base • AHCCCS has notified providers and will continue to do so to notify provider registration of the need to notify • All plans are encouraged to do the same frequently and aggressively • In 2007, targeted outreach will be made to those who have not yet submitted an NPI 		
Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General discussion was held regarding testing • Request was made for a testing partner to be available in August and September. All plans will need to test transactions in October and November time period. • Once the NPI code goes into the test environment, any ongoing test activity will be impacted. All plans were encouraged to finish any projects prior to 6/15/06 		
Open forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No issues raised 		
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decided to meet on a monthly basis going forward 		

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